

Happiness, Health and Wellbeing

Pupil Edition 22 – Autumn Term 2025



Hello and welcome to our Autumn Newsletter! It's been a wonderfully busy term packed with fantastic activities and memorable moments. We're excited to bring you a selection of highlights and updates as we look back on all the progress and successes from the last few months. Thank you for your ongoing support — and with plenty more ahead, we can't wait for what's next! Wishing you a joyful holiday season and an amazing start to 2026! 🌟



At Marsh Green, our pupils' wellbeing is at the heart of everything we do. We believe that when children feel happy, supported and healthy, they are far more likely to succeed, flourish and build the skills they need to chase their aspirations. We are proud to offer a wide range of enriching opportunities and a creative curriculum that truly encourages their development. This term, we're delighted to highlight some of the wonderful activities and events that have taken place across our school, all designed to nurture happiness, health and wellbeing for every child.



Odd Socks Day!





Football Fun!



Umoja 2025



The choir
saw a
pantomime
at the Care
Home they
visited



Y3 & 4 had a trip to the cinema!



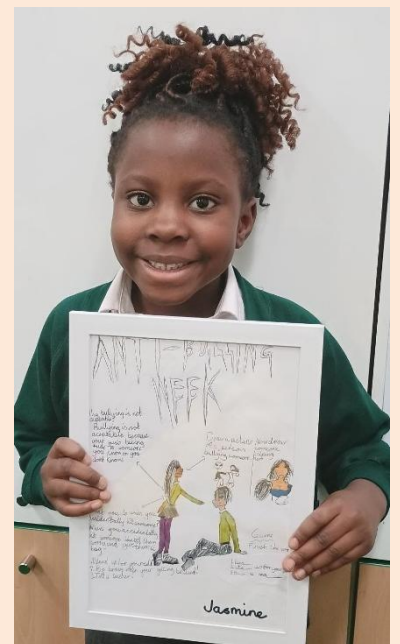
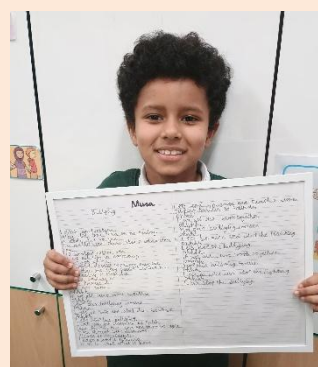
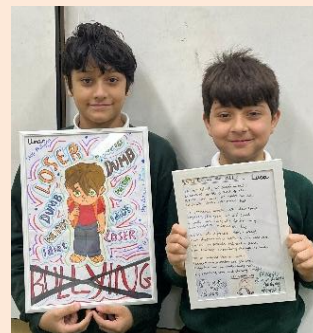
Amazing
homework
in 2VT!



World Mental Health Day – ‘Hello Yellow’



Antibullying Week





5EL Swimming session won by Aroma!

Y5 Ukulele lessons...



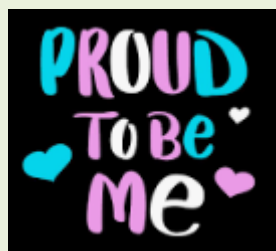
The Christmas Pantomime in school



Diversity Corner

Proudly Embracing Our Uniqueness

By Mrs Johnson



Diversity – What's the Point?

Why is it important to celebrate the unique backgrounds of our children and staff? Imagine the whole world as a big, juicy orange. Every slice is filled with different traditions, stories, foods, celebrations, and history. Now imagine if we only ever ate **one** slice of that orange every day. ***We'd miss out on so much amazing flavour!***

That's why we celebrate diversity. When we learn about different cultures, beliefs, and experiences, we grow kinder, wiser, and more understanding. We also get to discover the many people who helped shape the UK, and we make sure everyone in our school feels valued, important, and proud of who they are.

Celebrating culture brings colour, joy, and togetherness to our school community — and makes our "orange" complete!

Have a go at saying these Christmas greetings with your friends and family!

French: Joyeux Noël

'Zhwah-YUH No-ELL'

Portuguese: Feliz Natal

'Fay-LEEZ Nah-TAL'

Polish: Wesołych Świąt

'Veh-SO-wikh Shvvyont'

Mandarin Chinese: 圣诞快乐 (Shèngdàn kuàilè)

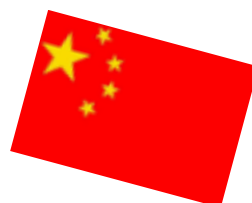
'Shung-dahn Kwhy-luh'

Hindi: क्रिसमस की शुभकामनाएँ (Krisamas ki shubhkamnaayein)

'KRIS-muss kee shoob-kaam-NAH-yehn'



Can you match the flags with the languages?



Quiz

1. What does “diversity” mean?

- A. Everyone is exactly the same
- B. People are different in many ways
- C. Only some people are important

2. Which is an example of diversity?

- A. A group where everyone looks and thinks the same
- B. A group of people with different interests, backgrounds, and ideas
- C. A group that only likes one type of food

3. Why is diversity a good thing?

- A. It helps us learn from each other
- B. It makes life boring
- C. It means we should only play with people like us

4. How can you show respect for diversity?

- A. Listen to others and be kind
- B. Laugh at people who are different
- C. Only talk to people who are just like you

5. What does “inclusion” mean?

- A. Making sure everyone feels welcome and part of the group
- B. Letting only your best friends join in
- C. Ignoring someone who is new

Answer Key

1-B, 2-B, 3-A, 4- A, 5-A

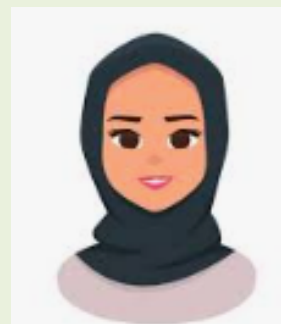


Scramble:

AREYMCASEL

Unscramble the letters to find the name of the famous nurse from history





Diversity Calendar 2026

January

- **19th** – Martin Luther King Jr Day
- **31st** – Guru Har Rai Jayanti (Sikh)

February

- **1st** – World Hijab Day
- **17th** – Shrove Tuesday

March

- **8th** – International Women's Day
- **17th** – St Patrick's Day

April

- **2nd** – World Autism Awareness Day
- **23rd** – St George's Day



Christmas Fundraising Week 2025



Thank you so much to everyone who took part in Fundraising Week and to the staff who worked their Christmas magic! We had lots of fun and through all our Christmas activities we have raised over £2500! Thank you for supporting us 💜💜💜

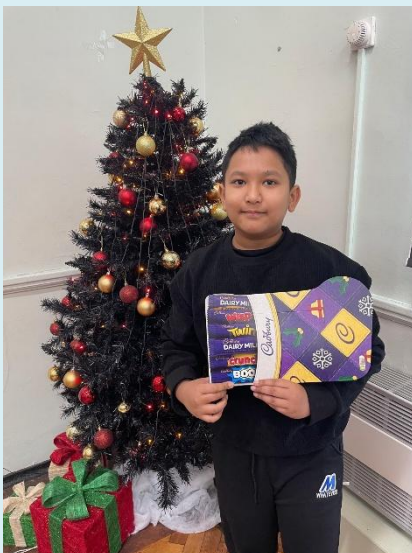
The Chocolate Christmas Roll!

Each class competed with each other to win a Christmas chocolate selection box! Everyone who took part rolled their coin across the floor and the winner was the person who rolled their coin the closest to the prize! We had a lot of fun...



Thank you for
taking part
everyone!





Ideas to keep you busy at home!

How many of these things can you do?

- Write a letter to Santa's elves, it's usually Santa that gets all the post!
- Design a Christmas card and send it to your favourite person.
- Make a festive decoration for around the house or to hang on the tree.
- Create a homemade gift and give to a friend or family member.
- Make a list of things you really want to learn or achieve in the New Year.
- Have a dance party in the living room to your favourite festive songs!
- Can you find out about Christmas in another country? How does it differ from Christmas in your house?
- Can you make a Christmas tree out of something different? Lego, plasticine, the choice is yours!
- Can you write your own Christmas song or rap, and perform it to your family?
- Have a meal with your family and talk about your favourite memories of this year and the best things that happened to you.
- If you are lucky enough to receive Christmas presents, write thank you notes and send them. Can you include something you loved about the gift?
- Birds can get very hungry at this time of year. Can you make a festive bird feeder out of a milk carton, box or bottle and hang it outside?
- Have a family Christmas movie night, get cosy and tune in to a Christmas classic.
- Can you help to bake some Christmas cookies? Or a Christmas cake?



Autumn Clubs!

This term has been jam packed with lots of exciting after school clubs! Remember to sign up before the deadline when you receive the ParentMail form about clubs for the Spring Term. There are lots of photos on the school website... [Autumn 2025 - Marsh Green Primary School](#)

Sewing Club

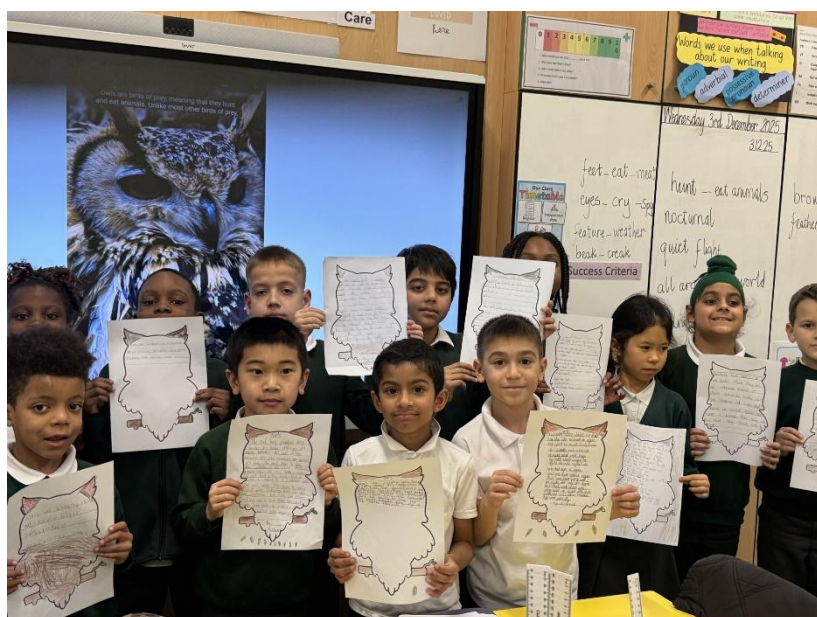


Have you learnt a new skill recently?

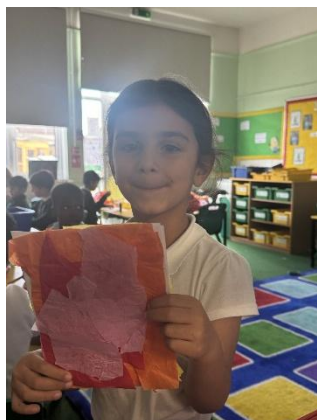
Tell us all about it and send in some photos for the next newsletter! Please email parentenquiry@marshgreen.bardaglea.org.uk



Literacy Fun Club



Y1/2 Art Club



Lego Club



Football Club



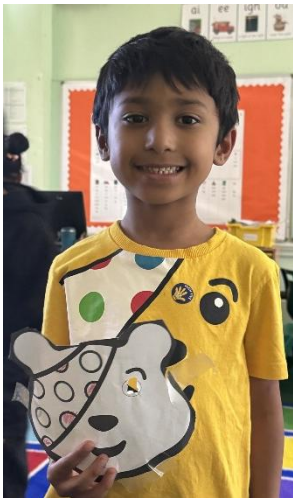
Games Club



Dance Club



Children In Need Awareness Day!



Things to look forward to next term...

The next talent show will be on
Wednesday 11th February 2026!



Keep practising and perfecting your talents 😊
Think of a name for your act and prepare a start pose!

- Mental Health Awareness Week starting 9.2.26 with Dress to Express!
- Safer Internet Day – 10.2.26
- Class photos – 24.2.26
- Bedtime story day – 2.3.26 (Wear your pyjamas to school!)
- World Book Day – 4.3.26 (Dressing up day)
- Easter Fundraising week - 23.3.26 – 27.3.26
- Easter bonnet parade – 27.3.26 (Spring coloured clothes and decorated hats!)

More information
before each event!



Thank you to everyone for
supporting the foodbank
appeal ♥ ♥ ♥



<https://rainham.foodbank.org.uk/get-help/how-to-get-help>

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets and also to all the kind people who donated prizes...



Congratulations to the main winners...

Kadaybannie (£50 Asda voucher), Sehajpreet (Festive food hamper), Stefania (Toy hamper) & Steven (5 day Holiday Camp voucher worth £150)

All the other prizes have been delivered to the winners in class 😊

3 reasons I am grateful for 2025



Three Things I Am Grateful For This Year

This year, I am really grateful for all the new things I have learned. I'm also thankful for the fun times I've had with my friends every day at school. Most of all, I appreciate the wonderful teachers who help and support us. It's been a great year! **By Malahah in 5SC**

This year, I am really grateful for so many fun experiences! I loved performing in the Christmas play and going on the adventure trip to Stubbers – we had such a great time! My favorite part was when the banana boat tipped over and we all got wet – it was so exciting! I also had a wonderful time watching the Aladdin pantomime; it was full of laughs and magic! **By Kadaybannie in 5SC**

I am grateful for having lots of friends and for all the fun times we share together! I really enjoyed all the exciting activities at Marsh Green, and I am thankful for learning in so many fun and interesting ways. **By Sara in 5EL**

I am grateful for having a fun teacher, for the amazing holidays I enjoyed with my family this year, and for my birthday – I had a cake and a party, which was so much fun! **By Najma in 5SC**



A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to this newsletter! I'm already excited for the next edition. If you have any photos of family fun or special celebrations, please feel free to send them to: parentenquiry@marshgreen.bardaglea.org.uk. Stay safe and enjoy making happy memories at home during the break. If you ever need support or just someone to talk to, please speak to a member of staff at school. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a joyful, healthy New Year! We look forward to seeing you on the 5th of January 2026!

Best wishes, Mrs Weekes xxx